

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**Amendment and Response After Final Action Accompanying RCE**

**In re application of:** Hodge et al.

**Application No.** 10/590,844

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**For:** SCREENING AGENTS THAT DECREASE  
PATHOGENICITY BY DECREASING  
RAB11A ACTIVITY

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE AFTER FINAL ACTION  
ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**

This document accompanies an RCE and is submitted in response to the Final Office action dated August 20, 2009. A three-month shortened period of response was set, making a response timely if filed on or before November 20, 2009. Applicants hereby petition that the period for reply be extended through **January 20, 2010**. The two-month extension fee is being paid electronically from Deposit Account 02-4550. If any additional fees are required in connection with this filing, please charge the required fees or credit any overpayment to the same Deposit Account.

Please amend the referenced application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begin on page 3.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 and end with a brief conclusion on page 7.

**A Statement in Compliance** is submitted herewith.

A replacement **Sequence Listing** (txt and pdf format) is submitted herewith.